

### A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

This week the children in Years R, 1, 2 and 4 brought some early festive cheer to us all. As a Senior Leadership Team we have enjoyed being able to join parents, carers, grandparents, family and friends at these performances. It has also been lovely to hear from everyone about how much they enjoyed watching the children perform and celebrating the hard work of staff in preparing them for these performances. Thank you for taking the time to share your kind words. We now look forward to next week and our Years R, 1 and 2 Christmas Carol service, led by Rev Woodward (in school for the children) on Monday; our Community Tea Party on Tuesday and our Key Stage 2 Carol Services at St John's Stoke on Wednesday and Thursday. The end of term seems to be approaching fast! - **Friday, 20 December 2024.**

**COMMUNITY TEA PARTY, TUESDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2024** - Thank you to everyone who has kindly offered to prepare food and help on the day. Please can you leave any food donations outside the entrance to school on Tuesday morning. We still need some help to transport our guests to and from Boxgrove on the day. If you are able to help, please can you email [office@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk). To find out how you can help with **food**, please [click here](#). We thank you for your support.

### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK

**YEAR R** - Continuing with their learning of Traditional Tales the children have been learning all about the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and had great fun constructing their own bean stalks using duplo. It was astounding to see how tall they actually made them! Of course, their nativity was a highlight for the children and we hope you enjoyed it too.

**YEAR 2** - Do you know who started the Great Fire of London? This week Year 2 have been debating just that question and who was to blame. The children were very split between the Baker and the Mayor. Please do ask your child who they thought was responsible for starting the fire that swept through central London and burned for 5 days. Of course, it was the Baker from Pudding Lane! Year 2 have also enjoyed sharing their Christmas performances this week.

**YEAR 4** - This week Year 4 came together as an orchestra to share their 'strings' skills with parents/carers. The children have been working very hard over these past months to learn this new skill of either playing the violin or cello. How far they have come in a term with the support of staff from RGS and Mr Allam who volunteers each week. As a culmination to their Roman topic, the children have been designing their own stamps to show the impacts of the Roman Invasion. We look forward to seeing their finished stamps next week.

**YEAR 6** - This week the children have been writing letters from the trenches as part of their study around conflict. These letters allowed the children to share their feelings to bring the soldiers experiences in the trenches to life. There were some extremely thought provoking and emotive examples of how the Christmas Truce came about.



### LEARNING PARTNERS ACADEMY TRUST CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Congratulations to Rylee, Year 2 who was the overall Key Stage 1 winner of the Trust's Christmas card competition. We love your reindeer munching on his carrots Rylee. We look forward to welcoming Mr Mayhew, CEO to share your prize.



### THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Monday</b>	Reception health screening and NCMP
<b>Tuesday</b>	Community Tea Party Year 5 and Year 6 Orchestra Christmas Concert
<b>Wednesday</b>	KS2 Christmas Service - Hamilton (Red) & Earps (green) CafeB - Uniform Shop
<b>Thursday</b>	KS2 Christmas Service - Storey (Yellow) and Murray (Blue)
<b>Friday</b>	Uniform shop



## THE TRAVELLING CRIB HOSTED BY WINTERSHALL EDUCATION

Thursday saw children in Years 2 and 3 head to Merrow Junior School where they were able to experience a Nativity performance. The children thoroughly enjoyed this experience and for many, the donkey was the star of the show! Some of the children told us that he 'eeyored' everytime someone asked him a question! Thank you to all our parents/carers who supported staff in walking the children to and from Merrow Junior School. We hope you enjoyed your visit too.



## BPTA

**Boxgrove Christmas Fair Update!** - We are thrilled to announce that this year's Christmas Fair raised a remarkable profit of just over £6,000! This achievement would not have been possible without your unwavering support, and we are deeply grateful for your contributions to our school community.

All the profit raised will go directly towards funding vital resources at Boxgrove to enhance and enrich the children's education. Your incredible support helps make a tangible difference to the learning experiences of our children. For more details on how this funding will be allocated, we warmly invite you to join us at our next PTA social meeting on **Tuesday, 28 January 2025**. Further information can be found below—we hope to see you there!

A heartfelt thank you must go out to all the incredible helpers, parents, class reps, teachers, school staff, and the dedicated Christmas Fair events team for making this year's fair such a resounding success! Your hard work, generosity, and community spirit have created a truly magical event for everyone to enjoy.

We can significantly boost our profits from the fair by taking advantage of fund-matching programs offered by many companies. Please check if your employer participates in such a scheme and let the PTA know at [boxgrovepta@gmail.com](mailto:boxgrovepta@gmail.com). It's an easy way to bring in free money for the school!

**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY** - Win a £3,000 Xmas cash bonus! Visit [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) to buy tickets. Enter before 21 December 2024, and make your Christmas dreams come true! T&C's apply. Play our lottery this December, and you could be the lucky winner of an amazing £3,000 Christmas Cash Bonus! Hit the January sales in style; spread the joy by giving back to a cause that holds a special place in your heart; plan your dream holiday getaway; treat yourself to the latest tech and gadgets; spruce up your living space for the new year; take yourself on a culinary adventure - the choice is yours!

**YOUR NEXT PTA MEETING** - Your next PTA meeting will take place on **Tuesday, 28 January 2025**, in the Buzz Room at **7:30pm**. Everyone is welcome, so please join us! This is your chance to make a meaningful impact on our school community—whether by volunteering, sharing your skills, or simply participating in discussions. Together, parents and teachers can help shape a supportive and enriching environment for all students. For more information, feel free to email us at [boxgrovepta@gmail.com](mailto:boxgrovepta@gmail.com).

### BPTA Event Dates for Your Diary!

- 21 & 22 January 2025 - School Disco
- 7 February 2025 - Painting & Prosecco
- 3 & 4 March 2025 - Sponsored Pancake Flip
- 22 March 2025 - Quiz Night
- 21 June 2025 - Summer Fair
- 11 July 2025 - Summer Family BBQ

**PTA Events - Register Now!** - We use the PTA Events website throughout the year to simplify ticketing and payments for our events, auctions, and raffles. To purchase tickets, merchandise, or even make a donation to the PTA, you'll need to create an account. Simply visit [www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta) and click on "Register" to get started.

## BOXGROVE PTA – "DOING MORE TOGETHER"

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# COMMUNITY

**CHRISTMAS HOCKEY CAMP** - Guildford hockey club are offering 15% off to all our Boxgrove parents/carers. [Click here](#) see the flyer.



## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY IDEAS

**Christmas Crafternoon!**  
at St Saviour's, Guildford  
MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER  
2pm-5pm

An afternoon of Christmas Crafts, music and festive drinks & snacks, for children aged 2-11 years old! Tickets are £3 per child.

<https://stsavioursguildford.churchsuite.com/events/4s-hv1o7>

**20 DEC Kids Festive SILENT DISCO**  
3pm - 5pm  
ZERO, 168 High Street  
Guildford GU13HW

**£12** includes headset, drink & popcorn

Join us for an afternoon of music, fun, and festive cheer!

- ★ Dance to your favourite disco beats with our silent disco headsets!
- ★ Enjoy a drink & popcorn included with your ticket.
- ★ Parents can relax in the cafe which will be open for refreshments.

Spaces are limited, so book now to join the fun.

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## TEAM BOXGROVE

**FOOTBALL** - On Monday our Year 5 football team made their way to Fulham's training ground to take part in a Fulham foundation tournament. The boys played fantastically and conducted themselves brilliantly, playing against teams that were a year older! Some excellent technique and teamwork were on show and the team should be very proud of their achievements!



## BOXGROVE CLUBS

### MUSIC:

Sally Werry - Piano and Flute - [Click here](#)  
Caroline Blount - Piano - [Click here](#)  
Guitar - [Click here](#)  
Ukulele and Drums - [Click here](#)



### SPORT:

Athletic Ambition- [Click here](#)  
Tennis Club - [Click here](#)  
Judo Club - [Click here](#)  
Planet Soccer - [Click here](#)  
Swimming - Julie's swim school [Click here](#)  
Miranda's Swim School - [Click here](#)  
Rubba Duckies - [Click here](#)



### DANCE:

Boogie Pumps - [Click here](#)  
Hannah Ballet - [Click here](#)



### LANGUAGES:

French - [Click here](#)  
Spanish club - [Click here](#)



Magicians Club - [Click here](#)  
Code Camp- [Click here](#)





# YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

Below you will find all the latest events, information and letters from each year group for this week:

- All the letters are available on our school's website [www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk)
- The links highlighted below will take you straight to the location where you can view, download and print the letters that are relevant to your child's year group
- Please be advised that all letters are available under the Parent tab, Parent Hub in the event you are unable to open the link.

## Year group      Activity / news /trips

<b>Reception</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 1</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 2</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 3</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 4</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 5</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 6</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Whole School</b>	<p><b>KS2 CAROL SERVICE AT ST JOHNS</b> - 11 December <b>Hamilton</b> (Red) &amp; <b>Earps</b> (green), 12 December <b>Storey</b> (Yellow) and <b>Murray</b> (Blue). For more information please <a href="#">click here</a></p> <p><b>KS2 SWIMMING NEXT WEEK</b> - Can all children in Years 4 and 6 bring their swimming kits to school on the day they are not at the church services. Wednesday- years 4 &amp; 6 - Storey &amp; Murray swim Thursday- years 4 &amp; 6 - Hamilton &amp; Earps swim</p> <p><b>TEACHER RUN CLUBS</b> - Just a reminder that Teacher run clubs have now finished for this term. The timetable for next term will be published in next week's newsletter.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

IF DATES ARE IN **RED** THEY ARE NEW DATES. IF DATES ARE IN **BLUE** THEY ARE AMENDED DATES.

<b>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 - 2025</b>	
9 December	Reception health screening and NCMP
10 December	Year 5 and Year 6 Orchestra Christmas Concert
11 December	KS2 Christmas Service - Hamilton (Red) & Earps (green)
12 December	KS2 Christmas Service - Storey (Yellow) and Murray (Blue)
<b>20 December</b>	<b>School closes at 1.10pm for Christmas holidays</b>
<b>6 January</b>	<b>School re-opens for children</b>
21 - 22 January	PTA School Disco
22 January	5M Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
27, 28 & 30 January	Year 3 Feet First Road Safety Training
5 February	6K Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
6 February	Year 3 Woking Mosque visit
7 February	BPTA Painting and Prosecco
12 February	1B Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
<b>17 Feb - 21 Feb</b>	<b>Half term</b>
4 March	Sponsored Pancake Flip
<b>5-6 March</b>	<b>Parents' Consultations</b>
10 - 17 March	Year 4 - Level 1 Bikeability
12 March	2W Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
20 March	4CH Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
22 March	Quiz Night



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26 March	5CB Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
2 April	6H Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
<b>4 April</b>	<b>School closes at 1.10pm for Easter Holidays</b>
<b>22 April</b>	<b>School re-opens for children</b>
23 - 25 April	Year 4 Henley Fort Residential
30 April	5E Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
7 May	3L Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
12 - 16 May	Year 5 Ironbridge Residential
12 - 15 May	Year 6 End of Key Stage 2 SATs week
14 May	1LP Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
<b>26 May - 30 May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>2 June</b>	<b>School re-opens for children</b>
5 June	4A Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
11 June	2S Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
<b>12 June</b>	<b>2T Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall</b>
10 - 13 June	Year 6 Ross-on-Wye Residential
18 June	1S Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
21 June	BPTS Summer fair
25 June	6W Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall
2 July	3A Class assembly - 9am in the Kent Hall



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11 July	BPTA Family BBQ
16 July	Meet the teacher 3:30pm - 5pm
<b>18 July</b>	<b>School closes at 1:10pm for Summer Holidays</b>
<b>21 - 22 July</b>	<b>Inset days</b>